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SUBJECT: ANTARCTIC TREATY: ADMISSION TO CONSULTATIVE
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1. HEAP'S FORMAL REACTION TO U.S. PROPOSAL ON ADMISSION
TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS CONTAINED REFTEL (A) FOLLOWS.
BEGIN TEXT:
IN THE PROCESS OF CONSIDERING THE EARLIER ARGENTINE, UK
AND SOUTH AFRICAN PAPERS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP A SINGLE
NEGOTIATING TEXT (SEE SEPARATE LETTER AND ITS ENCLOSURES)
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I HAVE HAD THE U.S. PAPERS VERY MUCH IN MIND. I INSTINC-
TIVELY AGREE WITH WASHINGTON THAT THE LESS WE TIE OUR-
SELVES DOWN IN RELATION TO PROCEDURE, THE FEWER HOSTAGES
WE SHALL HAVE GIVEN TO FORTUNE. AS FAR AS I CAN SEE
THERE IS ONLY ONE DRAWBACK TO THIS. IF WE HAD BEEN OPER-
ATING UNDER WASHINGTON'S SUGGESTED PROCEDURE IN THE CASE
OF POLAND, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN OPEN TO ANY PARTY TO PRO-

CRASTINATE UNTIL AFTER THE NEXT CONSULTATIVE MEETING.
THE WAY ROUND THIS MIGHT BE TO ADD THE WORDS "WITHIN
TWELVE MONTHS" TO THE END OF OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE
WASHINGTON TEXT.

HOWEVER. AS I SUGGESTED TO YOU WHEN WE MET, MY MAIN CON-
CERN, AT THIS LATE STAGE, IS TO BE SURE THAT WE CAN
ACHIEVE AGREEMENT AT THE SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING. I
AGREE, IN PRINCIPLE, WITH WASHINGTON THAT IT IS NOT
POSSIBLE TO DEVELOP A TEXT WHICH BRINGS TOGETHER THE
PAPER YOU LEFT WITH ME AND THE ARGENTINE DRAFT. BUT
THAT, I AM PRACTICALLY CERTAIN, IS WHAT WILL HAVE TO BE
DONE UNLESS YOUR PEOPLE CAN CONVINCE THE ARGENTINE GOV-
ERNMENT THAT THEIR DRAFT, IF ADOPTED, COULD END UP BEING
AN ALBATROSS ROUND THE NECKS OF ALL OF US. THERE IS ONLY
ONE WAY I CAN SEE WHICH COULD, CONCEIVABLY, MEET BOTH
WASHINGTON'S DESIRE FOR FLEXIBILITY AND THE ARGENTINE
PREDILCTION FOR FORMALITY AND LEGAL MINUTIAE. IT IS TO
CONVINCE THE ARGENTINES THAT THE RULES BY WHICH THE GAME
OF ADMISSION TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS IS PLAYED SHOULD
REMAIN LARGELY HORTATORY AS IN THE WASHINGTON DRAFT, BUT
THAT IN REGISTERING AGREEMENT THAT THE POLES ARE TO BE
ADMITTED TO CONSULTATIVE STATUS WE SHOULD MAKE SURE THAT
AS MANY AS POSSIBLE OF THE ARGENTINE CONCERNS ARE
SERVED -- THUS PROVIDING A PRECEDENT. THE SINGLE NEGOT-
IATING TEXT WHICH WE HAVE PREPARED GOES SOME WAY IN THIS
DIRECTION BY INCLUDING AN OBLIQUE REFERENCE TO THE AR-
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GENTINE INSPECTION OF THE POLISH STATION BUT THE IDEA
COULD PERHAPS, BE DEVELOPED FURTHER.
IN TALKING WITH CARLOS BLANCO I HAVE NOT REFERRED TO THE
EXISTENCE OF YOUR PAPERS. IF WASHINGTON DECIDES TO CIR-
CULATE THEM, I HOPE VERY MUCH THAT THEY WILL FOLLOW-UP
WITH AN OFFER TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH THE ARGENTINES,
EITHER HERE OR IN BUENOS AIRES, AS FAR IN ADVANCE OF THE
SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING AS POSSIBLE. END TEXT.

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